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Dear Parent / Carer,

I have thoroughly enjoyed my first half term at The Prescott School; getting to know students, staff and the wider community has been the highlight. I now have a good insight in to the strengths of the school and ways in which we will work together to improve it further.

In my previous letter, I reassured you that any decisions I take will always have students' best interests at heart. Our vision is to ensure that all students achieve their academic potential, develop holistically and go on to live happy and successful lives.

Below are important updates to various aspects of school life which will be implemented in September. It is absolutely crucial that our students 'get the basics right' all day, every day. By embedding these solid foundations, students and staff are able to focus all their efforts in to the business of learning.

Opening hours

The school gates will open at 08:00am each day. Students will be able to access the atrium (indoor space) between the hours of 08:00am and 08:20am or the yards from 08:00am onwards before morning line ups commence at 08:40am.

Punctuality

Students will be classed as late if they arrive after 08:35am. If a student is late, they will complete a 30 minute detention at the end of the day.

Uniform

Enclosed with this letter is our Uniform, Appearance and Equipment Information Booklet. We have designed this to be easy to read and understand. Please ensure that your child's uniform, footwear, bag, appearance and stationery meets the school's expectations which commence from Monday 6th September 2021.

Footwear

Only formal leather, leather-look or patent leather shoes are allowed. Trainers or training shoes of any description along with pumps, boots etc are not allowed. Please see the enclosed booklet for further information. The school's decision on footwear is final.

Ties

In September, Years 8, 9 and 10 will be issued with new ties free of charge. This is due to the school introducing different colours for different year groups. Students are to arrive to school in September wearing their current school tie.

PE Kit

Students must be dressed in full PE kit i.e. the school's polo top with badge and the school's PE shorts with white stripe. No other sportswear is allowed. Please see the enclosed booklet for further information.

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Students are to wear their full PE kit on the days they have PE on their timetable. For warmth, they will be able to wear their school blazer or purchase an optional school PE fleece and school PE tracksuit pants.

School Bags

Years 7 to 9 – All students must have The Prescott School backpack. No other backpack is permitted.

Years 10 and 11 – All students must have a bag which can hold an A4 folder. The style and colour can be of their choice. If you wish to purchase a school bag during the summer holidays, please contact the school office.

Jewellery

No jewellery is allowed. In addition, plasters are not allowed to be used to cover piercings.

Toilets

Students will have four opportunities to go to the toilet during the day; they can go before school, at break time, at lunch time and at the end of the day. For students who have medical conditions, a medical letter from their consultant should be emailed to the school or handed to the school office. They will be given a pass to ensure they can access the toilet as needed due to their additional needs. (We appreciate that on rare occasions, students may need to use the toilet outside of regular hours. Staff will use their professional judgement in situations like this.)

Drinks

From September, the only drink allowed on site will be flavourless water. Students should bring a clear bottle of water which they will be allowed to refill at appropriate times throughout the day if necessary. Any other drinks brought on site will be disposed of.

Electronic Devices

Any electronic device (e.g. phone/ear pods/headphones etc) will be confiscated if it is seen anywhere on site. This includes all indoor and outdoor locations on school property. When the item is confiscated, it will be stored in the school office until an adult collects during regular office hours.

Line Ups

We will be using the current line up system throughout the day to ensure standards and expectations are met.

Consequences

We have streamlined the consequence system for students who do not meet expectations. You will find further information in the attached booklet. Please note, schools have the authority to issue a student with a detention without notifying or gaining consent from parents / carers. Further information can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/school-discipline-exclusions>

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Positive COVID 19 cases

If your child tests positive on Saturday 17th July or Sunday 18th July, please email Report-Covid@prescotschool.org.uk so that we can inform your child's close contacts. Please note, your household will be required to isolate for 10 days and your child's close contacts in school will also be required to isolate for 10 days.

If your child tests positive after this time, you do not need to contact us. The above email address will expire at midnight on Sunday 18th July.

COVID 19 Lateral Flow Tests

The government have stipulated that students should take two lateral flow tests within five days of returning to school in September.

If you have already provided consent, this is still valid and your child will be tested.

If you have not given consent and you still do not want your child to be tested, you do not need to do anything, your child will not be tested without your consent.

If you have not previously given consent and you do want your child to be tested in September, please contact your child's head of year.

Your child should attend school as shown below for their COVID 19 testing. They are permitted to wear their own clothes during the times below.

Test 1

Year	Day and date to attend for testing	Current Forms	Time to attend for testing	Where to go on arrival
8	Thursday 2 nd September	SDA/ KGR	8.30 – 9.00	Sports hall
		BIW/MFL	9.00 – 9.30	Sports hall
		GRO / CBO	9.30 – 10.00	Sports hall
		AAR /JFL	10.00 – 10.30	Sports hall
9	Thursday 2 nd September	KWY / DA	11.00 – 11.30	Sports hall
		JG/ STO	11.30 – 12.00	Sports hall
		LAC / NT	12.00 – 12.30	Sports hall
		PW / WY	12.30 – 1.00	Sports hall

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11	Thursday 2 nd September	CH / EBJ	1.30 – 2.00	Sports hall
		MM / SJ	2.00 – 2.30	Sports hall
10	Friday 3 rd September	FS / JLE	11.30 – 12.00	Sports hall
		CFA / DPA / LS	12.00 – 12.30	Sports hall
		KKA / MC	12.30 – 1.00	Sports hall
11	Friday 3 rd September	AMA / CC	1.30 – 2.00	Sports hall
		JCW / LB	2.00 – 2.30	Sports hall

Test 2

Year	Day and date to attend for testing	Forms	Time to attend for testing	Where to go on arrival
8	Monday 6 th September	SDA/ KGR/	8.30 – 9.00	Sports hall
		BIW/MFL	9.00 – 9.30	Sports hall
		GRO / CBO	9.30 – 10.00	Sports hall
		AAR / JFL	10.00 – 10.30	Sports hall
9	Monday 6 th September	KWY / DA	11.00 – 11.30	Sports hall
		JG/ STO	11.30 – 12.00	Sports hall
		LAC / NT	12.00 – 12.30	Sports hall
		PW / WY	12.30 – 1.00	Sports hall
11	Monday 6 th September	CH / EBJ	1.30 – 2.00	Sports hall
		MM / SJ	2.00 – 2.30	Sports hall
10	Tuesday 7 th September	FS / JLE	11.30 – 12.00	Sports hall
		CFA / DPA / LS	12.00 – 12.30	Sports hall
		KKA / MC	12.30 – 1.00	Sports hall
11	Tuesday 7 th September	AMA / CC	1.30 – 2.00	Sports hall
		JCW / LB	2.00 – 2.30	Sports hall

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September Reopening Plan

Please see the table below for details of when your child will return to school. You will notice that we are staggering the start of the new academic year. This is so we can focus our attention on checking standards and expectations during the first week as well as spending time getting used to new school routines.

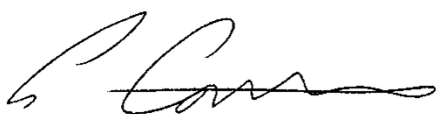
Monday 6 th September 2021	Arrive by 08:35	Depart at 14:40	Year 7 students only
Tuesday 7 th September 2021	Arrive by 08:35	Depart at 14:40	Years 8 and 9 students only
Wednesday 8 th September 2021	Arrive by 08:35	Depart at 14:40	Years 10 and 11 students only
Thursday 9 th September 2021 onwards	Arrive by 08:35	Depart at 14:40	All students on site

Please take the time to discuss the content of this letter with your child to help them prepare both practically and emotionally for the new academic year. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact your child's head of year.

Thank you in advance for your support in ensuring that the school continues to go from strength to strength.

I wish you all a healthy and joyful summer.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs G Cousineau
Head of School